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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI  
FROM: GLOBAL ISSUES  
SUBJECT: Evening Report

Daily Activities

NSC Review Completed

Tuchman met with Oksenberg to discuss our Chinese human rights project; reviewed a State paper on our policy on the granting of MB-10s -- i.e., permission to ship U.S. nuclear fuel to England or France for reprocessing. I fear that State is not really following the spirit of the President's decision, but will wait to see the next draft; reviewed the 30 lengthy responses drafted by DOE to Congressman Dingell's questions on the Apollo-Numec-Israel issue. Dingell's pursuit of the question of whether the CIA withheld information from other agencies strikes me as potentially dangerous, so I will ask Hoskinson to review these also; drafted memorandum on a Ugandan human rights initiative; met with Congressman Breaux of Louisiana at the request of Moore's office on PL-480 and human rights. Breaux represents a large rice-growing district, and told me seriously that his human rights were being violated when the rice surplus isn't flowing nicely through its accustomed channels. He argued strongly that food shouldn't be used as a weapon against starving people. I explained the requirements of the legislation and the intent of the President's policy, and that far from using food as a weapon, our new reporting requirements were only intended to insure that the food actually went to starving people and not to offsetting trade balances. He seemed satisfied at the end. Also attended Christopher group meeting where the following decisions were made: yes votes on Brazil, Paraguay, Tanzania and Bangladesh; yes vote on basic human needs for Korea; strongly negative sense conveyed to Eximbank on a loan to Uruguay; no decision was made on two pending loans to the Philippines -- Christopher will be getting in touch with us very soon on this one.

Denend stopped off on the way in this morning to meet with General Lawson (a friend and former Director of Air Force Plans) at the Pentagon. Talked with Bartholomew about the memo for the SCC this Friday on

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US-USSR conventional arms talks. Met with Congressman Eilberg with Oksenberg, Loehman and Oakley on Indochinese refugees. This meeting included a certain amount of fence mending on our part. Eilberg believes the solution to the problem includes three initiatives:

- Permanent legislation establishing long-term authority and built-in limits. State is now ready to support such legislation.
- A vigorous program to increase acceptance by the international community. Eilberg has nothing good to say about the UNHCR and believes the U.S. ought to get very tough with other countries to have them accept their "fair share."
- An International Conference to focus world-wide attention on the problem.

Much of what he had to say Oksenberg and I found quite reasonable. State must put its house in order between now and January.

We believe a request from State today for the President to approve 7,000 more parole numbers on an emergency basis. Also the President received a request from the American Council of Voluntary Agencies to meet with him on this issue. Before the meeting with Eilberg today, it would have been extremely difficult to get Congress to go along with another parole request; however, Eilberg remarked that in light of support for his bill another request might even be helpful since it would truly be the last and it would put pressure on the Congress to move the legislation. Oksenberg and I will prepare the recommendation for the President.

Returned to work on the SCC memo.

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